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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
SUPPLYING ORBITAL SPACE  
PLATFORMS USING PAYLOAD  
CANISTERS VIA INTERMEDIATE  
ORBITAL RENDEZVOUS AND  
DOCKING

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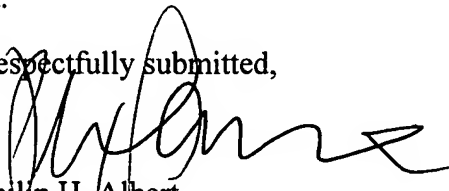
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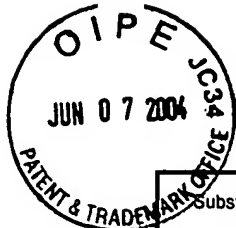
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